

Judge Hilton, Attachment, March 3, 2023

Re: Julian Assange prosecution under the Espionage Act. Reference: USA v. Assange - Julian Paul Assange No. 1:18-cr-111.

This is a supplement to my message to the Department of Justice on November 29, 2022.

I am administrator of the United States-based website Cryptome.org, aka "Cryptome," a free public library publishing since 1996. I am a United States citizen with address at 251 West 89th Street, Unit 6E, New York, NY 10024. Telephone: 212-873-8700.

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I respectfully request that the Department of Justice add this message to my request to add me as a co-defendant in the prosecution of Mr. Assange under the Espionage Act.

Sincerely,

John Young